

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Application No. 10/692,468 )  
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Filed: October 22, 2003 )  
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Applicants: Qi-Bin BAO et al. )  
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Title: ARTIFICIAL DISC DEVICE )  
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Art Unit: 3774 )  
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Examiner: Joshua Levine )  
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Attorney Docket: 7115/79587 )  
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Customer No.: 22242 )

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 17, 2010 as entered in the above-captioned matter, Applicants petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a 3-month extension of time up to and including June 17, 2011, to make this reply timely, and submit the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.